

P&amp;G Case JA-138

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In the application of :  
Rezai et al. : Confirmation No. 7592  
Serial No.: 09/171,049 : Group Art Unit 1771  
Filed: October 12, 1998 : Examiner: C. Pratt

For Absorbent Materials Having Improved Structural Stability in Dry and Wet States and  
Making Methods Therefor

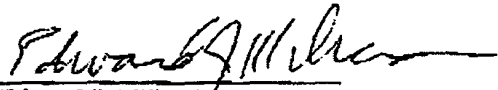
PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)

Commissioner for Patents  
P. O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

Applicants hereby petition the Commissioner for Patents to extend the time for response to the Office Action dated May 29, 2003, for one month, from August 29, 2003 to September 29, 2003. Applicants authorize payment of the accompanying fee of \$110.00 from Deposit Account 16-2480. A duplicate copy of this petition is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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